

FOREIGN MAIL BAG.

MISSIONARIES REACH YOKOHAMA.

The undersigned is in receipt of a communication from Miss A. C. Murray, one of the out-going party of eighteen missionaries, reporting that the "Empress of Asia" reached Yokohama on November 11th. The weather was wet and chilly. All the missionaries were well. Misses Priest, Murray, Machum, Matheson, Brothers and Day, who were to change at Yokohama to the Japanese Line for Colombo, Ceylon, were to sail via the "Tamba Maru," of that line, on November 21st, instead of November 14th, as originally planned. Dr. and Mrs. Smith would be at Yokohama somewhat longer. The others in the party were going on to Hong Kong on the "Empress of Asia," where they would secure boat for India. The passage to Yokohama had been rough.—H. E. Stillwell.

In a letter received from Miss Archibald, she says: "The rough weather and high seas began at once (after leaving Vancouver), and we, with many others, were ill. . . . The seamen say it has been the roughest voyage they have had in three years. We do not feel rested and refreshed much yet, and yet we have had many mercies, for winds and waves could have been much worse. No accidents have occurred, and no one has been seriously ill."

AFTER SCHOOL DAYS ARE OVER.

Miss Baskerville, in her last report to the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board, writes as follows concerning the career of girls who have been in the Caste Girls' School at Cocanada: "On the other hand, in another section of the same district, we meet with many of the former pupils of the Cocanada Caste Girls' School, and we are always sure of a welcome from them. One afternoon there were no less than three of them in a group of women, numbering fifteen or more, who had gathered to listen. The group was an unusually large one, and listened with unusual interest. I felt that the influence of those young women had not been lost upon their neighbors. Quite a number of our former pupils have died in the few years since I have been in charge: poor little child wives, many of them did not survive the birth of the first baby. Before I left to go on furlough there was a very sad case, that of Narsayamma, who had been given as wife to the husband of her sister, who had died. They had administered the treatment usual in cases of devil-possession, so called, as she was supposed to be possessed. She did not live through it! Imagine my feelings, after my return, to find that another younger sister had been given to the same man! There is no doubt that our school is most effectual as a means of reaching the caste women."—A. E. Baskerville.

SPECIAL REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Pray for Manikayamma—a caste woman who seems to be too self-satisfied, because she has given up caste and idolatry. Pray that she may see her lost condition and seek Christ.

Pray for the three blind children who are in the boarding school, that they may see Christ.

Pray for Raghamma—the young girl who behaved herself so well in the Rescue Home at Chicacole that we were able to send her to Cocanada Girls' Boarding School. She has been baptized, and is a dear, obedient girl. Pray that she may grow in spiritual knowledge.

Pray for Sowdhamani—a pastor's daughter, who is in her final year in High School, that God may guide us in regard to her future.—Mary R. B. Selman, Akidu.